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Title

SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY ARRAY OF FLOATING GATE

MEMORY CELLS WITH BURIED BIT-LINE AND VERTICAL

WORD LINE TRANSISTOR (as amended herein)

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, which is a divisional of application serial number 09/982,413 filed on October 17, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.